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Title:   FRAMEWORK AND METHOD FOR  
          QoS-AWARE RESOURCE DISCOVERY  
          IN MOBILE AD HOC NETWORKS

**REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The instant Patent Application was filed on 01/18/2002 with claims 1-28. A prior Non-final Office Action was issued on 12/14/2004. A Reply thereto was filed on 01/18/2005. This prior Reply canceled claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 11, 19-21, 24, and 25. Hence, claims 3, 6-9, 12-18, 22, 23, and 26-28 were pending.

A current Non-final Office Action was issued on 10/19/2005. This current Office Action allowed claims 6-9, 12-18, 22, 23, and 26-28. The current Office Action also rejected claim 3.

This Reply substantively amends claim 3. Claim 6 is also amended to correct a minor informality. No claims are added. Hence, claims 3, 6-9, 12-18, 22, 23, and 26-28 are now pending and presented for examination.